

1 **Amendment to the Claims**

2 **In the Claims:**

3 Please amend Claims 33-36 as follows:

4 1. – 32. (Canceled)

5 33. (Currently Amended) A method for dispensing a fluid containing substantially uniformly
6 distributed particulates entrained therein, comprising the steps of:

7 (a) providing a device for dispensing a fluid containing substantially uniformly
8 distributed particulates entrained therein, the device including a container having an axis, the
9 container including a volume of the fluid in which is entrained a plurality of particulates;

10 (b) ~~rotating using the device to rotate~~ the container in which the fluid is disposed
11 about [[its]] a longitudinal axis of the container, such that the particulates become substantially
12 uniformly distributed within the fluid in the container; and

13 (c) ~~dispensing using the device to dispense~~ the fluid independently of the rotation
14 of the container, such that rotation of the container is not required in order for dispensing of the fluid
15 to occur.

16 34. (Currently Amended) A method for dispensing a fluid containing substantially uniformly
17 distributed particulates entrained therein, comprising the steps of:

18 (a) providing a container having [[an]] a longitudinal axis, the container including
19 a volume of fluid in which is entrained a plurality of particulates;

20 (b) rotating the container in which the fluid is disposed about its longitudinal axis
21 using a rate of rotation that results in the fluid, the particulates in the fluid, and the container
22 achieving solid body rotation; and

23 (c) dispensing the fluid independently of rotating the container, such that rotation
24 of the container is not required in order for the fluid to be dispensed.

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35. (Currently Amended) A method for dispensing a fluid containing substantially uniformly distributed particulates entrained therein, comprising the steps of:

(a) providing a container having [[an]] a longitudinal axis, the container including a volume of fluid in which is entrained a plurality of particulates;

(b) rotating the container in which the fluid is disposed about its longitudinal axis using a rate of rotation that results in the particulates in the fluid tracing a substantially circular pathway; and

(c) dispensing the fluid independently of rotating the container, such that dispensing occurs without requiring the container to be rotating.

36. (Currently Amended) A method for dispensing a fluid containing substantially uniformly distributed particulates entrained therein, comprising the steps of:

(a) providing a container having [[an]] a longitudinal axis, the container including a volume of fluid in which is entrained a plurality of particles, the container including a member configured to dispense fluid from the container when the member is manipulated;

(b) rotating the container in which the fluid is disposed about its longitudinal axis before dispensing the fluid in the container, such that the particulates become substantially uniformly distributed within the fluid in the container;

(c) halting the rotation of the container;

(d) dispensing the fluid when the container is not rotating; and

(e) repeating steps (b), (c), and (d).

37. (Original) The method of Claim 36, wherein the container is rotated at a rate that results in a solid body rotation of the container, the fluid and the particulates entrained within the fluid.

38. (Original) The method of Claim 36, wherein the container is rotated at a rate that results in particulates entrained within the fluid tracing a substantially circular path.

39. (Original) The method of Claim 36, wherein the container is rotated at a rate that is between about one revolution per minute and about ten revolutions per minute.

40. (Original) The method of Claim 36, wherein the container is rotated at a rate of about three revolutions per minute.

41. (Original) The method of Claim 36, further comprising the step of ceasing dispensing of the fluid from the container before repeating steps (b), (c), and (d).

1 42. (Original) The method of Claim 36, wherein the container is rotated using a motor, and
2 further comprising the step of matching a frequency modulation and phase characteristics of the
3 motor to a rate of rotation of the container, thereby reducing a pulsatility induced in the dispensing of
4 the fluid.

5 43. (Original) The method of Claim 36, further comprising the steps of:

6 (a) rotating the container about its axis during the step of dispensing the fluid, for
7 a period of time sufficient to enable the particulates to become substantially uniformly distributed
8 within the fluid in the container; and

9 (b) halting the rotation of the container.